

Town of Hanover Conservation Commission

Hanover Town Hall, 550 Hanover St.,
2nd Floor Meeting Room

MINUTES for Wednesday, December 16, 2015

Approved 1/06/16

Those Members and Staff Present: Lou Paradis, Chairman; Lisa Satterwhite, Vice Chair; Frank Brierley, Hearing Officer; William Woodward and Brian McLoone, Commissioners; Amy Walkey, Conservation Agent; Sandra MacFarlane, Assistant Conservation Agent.

Those Members not present: Justin Shepard, Associate Member
Others: as per attached list

6:30 PM The Chairman opened the meeting and made the following announcements:

I. ANNOUNCEMENTS & DATES TO REMEMBER:

1. Next Scheduled Meetings- January 6 and 20, 2016 - 2nd Flr Mtg. Room @ 6:30 pm
2. Any person audio or videotaping this hearing must notify the Chairman at this time.

II. ACTION ITEMS:

1. Certificates of Compliance: There were no requests submitted for this meeting.

7:00 PM

III. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. BL 15-47, 1105 Main St.- RDA- *for septic upgrade in BZ to BVW*

PRESENT: David Klenert, PE, Collins Engineering Group, Applicant's Representative

DISCUSSION: Mr. Klenert presented a plan showing a residential septic disposal system replacement for a failed system with all work greater than 50 ft. from a Bordering Vegetated Wetland (BVW).

VOTE: Upon a motion and second made by Commissioners Brierley and Woodward, it was voted 5-0-0 to close the hearing and issue a Negative #3 Determination of Applicability.

2. BL 15-48, SE 31-1118, 213 Whiting St.- NOI- *for septic upgrade in BZ to BVW*

PRESENT: Brad Holmes, WS, Environmental Restoration and Consulting, Inc., Applicant's Representative

DISCUSSION: Mr. Holmes presented a plan detailing the replacement of a failed residential septic disposal system with all work proposed out of the on-site Riverfront Area with associated grading in buffer zone to an on-site Bordering Vegetated Wetland (BVW). Also that access to the work area is through the existing driveway. The Commission required a minimum of three (3) conservation setback markers to be installed with location and final number of posts as per the Conservation Agent.

Abutter Robert Chrisman, 203 Whiting St., shared concerns for an existing well at his property. Mr. Holmes confirmed that no negative impacts from the new system would effect the well, explaining the function of the new septic components.

VOTE: Upon a motion and second made by Commissioners Woodward and McLoone, it was voted 5-0-0 to close the hearing and issue an Order of Conditions with a special condition for the installation of at minimum of three (3) conservation setback markers, location and final number of posts as per the Conservation Agent.

Hearings Continued from the December 2nd, 2015 meeting:

3. BL 15-42, SE 31-1115, 1319 Hanover St.- ANRAD- *for resource delineation only*

PRESENT: Brad Holmes, WS, Environmental Consulting and Restoration, Applicant's Representative and Arthur Allen, Sr. Environmental Scientist, EcoTec, Inc.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Holmes presented a revised plan dated 12/1/15. He noted that revisions were made as per the Commission's wetland consultant, Arthur Allen. Due to the presence of landscaping debris, yard waste, and altered soils found during a site inspection, an Enforcement Order was issued for restoration work.

VOTE: Upon a motion and second made by Commissioners McLoone and Satterwhite, it was voted 5-0-0 to close the hearing and issue a modified Order of Resource Area Delineation based on the revised Existing Conditions Plan with a revised date of 12/1/15 and stamped by Dana Altobello, PE No. 46237, Merrill Corp., on 12/07/15.

In regard to the Enforcement Order, debris and yard waste shall be removed with restoration of buffer zone and BVW with all work completed by the end of the regional growing season, June 15, 2016. Removal of invasive species will be allowed during the regional growing season, May 1 through June 15. Work is to be completed using small excavator to insure minimal damage to the resource area and its associated buffer zone. As per Mr. Holmes, access to this area will be accomplished from upland areas.

Upon a motion and second made by Commissioners McLoone and Satterwhite, it was voted 5-0-0 to ratify and issue the Enforcement Order for alteration of resource area and associated buffer zone.

4. BL 15-43, SE 31-1116, 191 Water St.- NOI- *for temp. structure in BVW, fence expansion and 2nd temp. structure in BZ to BVW*

PRESENT: Elizabeth DeCelles, PE, TRC Solutions and Dawn Travellini, Applicant's Representatives

DISCUSSION: Ms. Travellini reported that the meeting between Mr. Murphy, 141 Bardin St., National Grid Forrester, and the Conservation Agent, went well. Mr. Murphy thanked Ms. Travellini and the Commission for spending extra time to resolve his concerns. Ms. Travellini reiterated her concerns regarding an additional environmental monitor for the project. Chair Paradis suggested submission of regularly scheduled monitoring reports for the Commission's review.

VOTE: Upon a motion and second made by Commissioners Brierley and Woodward, it was voted 5-0-0 to close the hearing and issue a standard Order of Conditions.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE:

1. Agent's Report – The Agent updated the Commission on the following:

- A letter was sent to residents in the Samoset Drive neighborhood regarding a proposed trail and footbridge project at Torrey Brook. The Community Preservation Committee (CPC) has scheduled a public hearing for proposed FY '17 projects for January 20, 2016.
- CriTech Corporation on Winter Street is in the process of preparing a certificate of compliance request;
- 1087 Main St.- work has begun on this project.
- 1810 Washington St.- This project is preparing to demo the buildings.
- Factory Pond Dam- This project is nearing final construction stages.
- 262 Webster St.- After DPW workers performed tree removal work on their property, the homeowner requested the Conservation Commission to remove additional trees from their property. It was explained that work on private property was their responsibility and an application for work in wetlands could be submitted to the Conservation Office.
- Dog Park update – the dog park committee continues to look for a parcel of land for the dog park. Conservation land is not available as the dog park is considered active recreation and conservation land is required to be preserved under deed for passive recreation.

- Dave Tyrie, Environmental Police Officer, recently reported several deer stands were found and tagged for removal, warnings were issued to 3 hunters, and the "No Hunting" signage was checked and reattached at the Indian Head/Riverside Dr. and Plain St. parcels.
 - 357 Columbia Rd. Project- The project is progressing on the upland portion of the site and will include the parking lot expansion and stormwater improvements as permitted by the Commission.
 - 116 Brookwood Rd. - As a result of a site inspection regarding the safety and health of several trees for removal, the Agent reported that historic mowing has occurred up to the resource area.
2. Minor Acts Permits- BL 15-50, 116 Brookwood Rd-. *for removal of damaged trees* See above bulleted item.
 3. Minutes- 12/02/15- Upon a motion and second made by Commissioners Satterwhite and Woodward, it was voted 5-0-0 to approve the minutes.
 4. Correspondence- Reviewed without comment.
 5. Other: *Those items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair within 48 hours of the meeting.* None

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by:
Sandra D. MacFarlane,
DMI Asst. Conservation Agent,
Conservation Office.



Documents provided at meeting:

- 12/16/15 agenda
- RDA application packet- 1105 Main St.
- NOI application packet- 213 Whiting St.
- ANRAD application packet- 1319 Hanover St.
- NOI application packet- 191 Water St.
- Minor Act application- 116 Brookwood Rd.
- 12/02/15 draft minutes

